Third Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

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Second Preparatory Meeting
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Procedural report

Introduction

1. The Convention on the Prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and on their destruction provides in Article 12, paragraph 1 that "a Review Conference shall be convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations five years after the entry into force of the Convention" and that "further Review Conferences shall be convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations if so requested by one or more States Parties, provided that the interval between Review Conferences shall in no case be less than five years."

2. The 2009 Second Review Conference agreed that the Third Review Conference will take place at the end of 2014, as stipulated in the final report of the Conference (APLC/CONF/2009/9, paragraph 29 (ii)).

3. The Thirteenth Meeting of the States Parties decided to hold the Third Review Conference in Maputo, Mozambique from 23 to 27 June 2014 and to hold preparatory meetings in advance of the Third Review Conference in Geneva on 6 December 2013 and on 10 April 2014. Furthermore, the Thirteenth Meeting agreed to designate His Excellency, Mr. Henrique Banze, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique, President of the Third Review Conference.

Organization of the Second Preparatory Meeting

4. The Second Preparatory Meeting was opened on 10 April 2014 by His Excellency, Mr. Henrique Banze, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique, President-designate of the Third Review Conference.

5. At its first plenary meeting on 10 April 2014, the Second Preparatory Meeting adopted its agenda, as contained in document APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/1.

Participation in the Second Preparatory Meeting

6. The following States Parties participated in the Meeting: Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte

d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Holy See, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Latvia, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mexico, Mozambique, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Senegal, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Zambia and Zimbabwe.

7. The following observers participated in the Meeting, in accordance with article 11, paragraph 4, of the Convention and rule 1, paragraph 1, of the rules of procedure of the Meeting: China, Georgia, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Pakistan, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, and United States of America.

8. In accordance with article 11, paragraph 4, of the Convention and rule 1, paragraphs 2 and 3, of the rules of procedure, the following international organizations and institutions, regional organizations, entities and non-governmental organizations attended the Meeting as observers: European Union, Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD), International Campaign to Ban Landmines (ICBL), International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), Organization of Islamic Cooperation, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS), United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA).

9. In accordance with article 11, paragraph 4, of the Convention and rule 1, paragraph 4, of the rules of procedure, the following other organizations attended the Meeting as observers: Association Internationale des Soldats de la Paix (AISP).

Work of the Second Preparatory Meeting

10. The Second Preparatory Meeting held two plenary meetings on 10 April 2014.

11. The Meeting considered the draft agenda and draft programme of work for the Third Review Conference, as contained in APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/3 and APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/2.

12. The Meeting considered discussion papers submitted by the President-designate on a draft Maputo declaration, as contained in APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/WP.1, draft Maputo Action Plan, as contained in APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/WP.3, and proposal for a meeting programme and related implementation machinery 2014-2019, as contained in APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/WP.2. States parties and observers exchanged views and provided input on these documents. The President-designate expressed his appreciation for the constructive suggestions that would assist him in further developing and strengthening the draft documents for consideration by the Third Review Conference.

13. The Meeting also received updates from the host country, Mozambique, on logistical and administrative matters.

14. The Meeting took note of the appeal for high level participation at the Third Review Conference.

Decisions and recommendations

15. The Meeting approved the draft agenda and the provisional programme of work for the Third Review Conference and decided to recommend them for adoption by the Maputo Conference.

16. The Meeting took note of the documents submitted in preparation for the Third Review Conference and expressed general satisfaction that their contents would provide useful direction to the on-going efforts to develop an action plan covering the period following the Third Review Conference, a political declaration, as well as a future meeting programme.

Documentation

17. A list of documents of the First Preparatory Meeting is contained in the annex to this report. These documents are available through the United Nations Official Documents System (http://documents.un.org).

Adoption of the Procedural Report of the Second Preparatory Meeting

18. The Meeting adopted its draft procedural report, as contained in document APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/CRP.1, as orally amended.

Annex

List of documents

Symbol	*Title*
APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/1	Provisional Agenda. Submitted by the President-designate
APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/2	Provisional Programme of Work for the Third Review Conference. Submitted by the President-designate
APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/3	Draft Agenda for the Third Review Conference. Submitted by the President-designate
APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/WP.1	Draft Declaration of the States parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and on their destruction. Submitted by the President-designate
APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/WP.2	Proposal for a meeting programme and related implementation machinery. Submitted by the President-designate
APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/WP.3	Maputo Action Plan. Submitted by the President-designate
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APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/MISC.1 [English, French, Spanish only]	Provisional List of Participants
APLC/MSP.13/2014/CRP.1	Draft procedural report. Submitted by the Secretariat
APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/INF.1 [English, French, Spanish only]	List of Participants
APLC/CONF/2014/PM.2/4	Procedural report